HB 1576 -- Purchase of State Health Insurance by Certain Foster Parents

Sponsor: Largent

This bill allows any state-licensed foster parent to purchase health insurance from the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan at the same premium rate established for state employees at his or her own expense. The Department of Social Services will provide an eligible foster parent with the appropriate documentation that qualifies him or her to purchase the state health insurance plan. A foster parent who is seeking to adopt a foster child or is related to the foster child will not be eligible to purchase the state health insurance plan.